





PATENT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1714**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/422,154 Filed: October 21, 1999 Inventor(s):

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Title:

ORGANOCLAY COMPOSITIONS PREPARED FROM **ESTER QUATS AND** COMPOSITES BASED ON

THE COMPOSITIONS

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Examiner: K. Wyrozebski Group/Art Unit: 1714

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Amendment

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 14, 34 and 42 44 without prejudice.

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